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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the First Office Action mailed June 16, 2006. In view of the comments set forth below, Applicants submit that the pending claims are patentable and in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Specification begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.